Chapter 6.1

GOVERNMENT & LAWS

UNITED STATES:

PRIVATE
ENTERPRISE
SYSTEM

"MODIFIED" FREE
ENTERPRISE



FOUR ROLES OF GOVERNMENT

- Provider of Services
 - Ensure safety & general welfare of people
 - Police, military, fire, education
- Supporter of Business
 - SBA (Small Business Assoc)
 - Loans



 Regulator (Making Laws to protect people and business)

Consumer and Worker Protection:

- OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health Admin
 - Workplace Safety
- CPSC: Consumer Product & Safety Commission
 - Recalls defective products
- FDA: Food and Drug Administration
 - Cosmetics and Food products



- Regulator cont.
 - Business Protection
 - (protects private property rights, patents, copyrights & trademarks)
 - SHERMAN ANTITRUST ACT
 - Prohibits monopolies
 - CLAYTON ACT
 - Prohibits price discrimination
 - FTC
 - Prohibits unfair competition (false advertising, deceptive business practices)
 - SECURITY & EXCHANGE COMMISSION
 - Responsible for regulating stocks and bonds sales

- Competitor
 - –US PostalService
 - -Amtrak
 - -National Parks





